

## **ABSTRACT**

[00039] A surgical retractor comprising a laterally extending rack having a first arm connected to the rack spaced from a movable second arm connected to the rack. In the preferred embodiment, the first and second arms have first segments connected to the rack connected to intermediate segments which are connect to third segments at the end of the arms. The intermediate segments are angled toward one another which allow the ends of the arms to be closer than the stationary segments connected to the rack. Additionally, the arms are preferably rotatable along longitudinal axes relative to the rack and can be locked in a fixed angular position.